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WORKING WITHOUT WAGES

Young helping hands from many lands

MORE than a thousand young people from 26 different countries are back at home this autumn telling the story of how they worked without wages at helping needy people in countries they had never visited before. Yet these young pioneers did not go rewardless. They saw new lands and they had a happy holiday.

One group, organised by the Work Camps Department of the World Council of Churches, is back from Iceland. Its members were set the job of building a church in the capital, Reykjavik. For a whole month they worked ten hours a day, although they were eventually persuaded to reduce the hours to six-and-a-half. They had then completed the

foundations of the parish hall and dug the foundation trenches for the main building. At the end of the month Icelanders were standing round the team with supplies of coffee and cakes.

For the second year a gang of international youth from Greece, England, Canada, United States, Denmark, Finland, Switzerland, and France sweated away to help the people of Essen, Germany, build an open-air church among the forests above the city. They split hundreds of logs to make benches, and set up a huge cross 30 feet high on top of the hill.

SYMBOL OF UNITY

Above the rolling plains of Alsace-Lorraine in France another gang of willing workers went to an old convent, long disused and now being turned into a conference centre.

One of their first tasks was to tear down an old barn and in the process an American boy had his foot injured by a heavy timber. Luckily an X-ray examination showed there was no fracture. The boy took the film of his X-ray back with him and pinned it up against a window for the light to shine through. The camp took this picture of the bones, all united in the ankle, as a symbol of the different national groups, all united in a single job.

This spirit of 1957 has not been confined to Europe. As far away as Indonesia the idea of doing something without reward has caught on.

THATCHED CHURCH

In several remote villages of Biru-Biru in the island of Sumatra, 24 boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 21 set out to build a simple thatched church. The whole village of a thousand people turned out to welcome them, but most doubted whether the youngsters could build a church in a week as they had promised.

The site chosen was on the side of a hill above the paddy-fields and below a grove of coconut palms. The floor was pounded earth, the roof of plaited thatch, and the walls of interwoven wood and bamboo. And so willingly did the youngsters get on with their task that they even found time to build a tower of thatch and bamboo. Not only did this



"And be so remembered"

This splendid picture of the Queen was taken during the historic occasion of her opening of the Canadian Parliament at Ottawa. Her address concluded with these moving words:

As I now address you here for the first time, I will call to your mind the words of the earlier Elizabeth when, more than three centuries ago, she spoke from her heart to the Speaker and members of her last Parliament, and said: "Though God hath raised me high, yet this I count the glory of my Crown, that I have reigned with your loves." Now here, in the New World, I say to you that it is my wish that in the years before me I may so reign in Canada, and be so remembered.

group work for nothing, but they either gave the materials for the building or collected money to buy them.

In Mexico a team of young people, some of them from the United States, came to the town of Panuco to rebuild a church destroyed in a hurricane.

And so, this autumn, many people are talking of the power of a team working without a boss for a reward which cannot be put in a pocket.

VILLAGE AFLOAT

A floating village has been built on the River Amazon as the result of the discovery of a great oil bed beneath the river bed. This part of Brazil consists of miles of jungle with no sign of civilisation, and the easiest way to house the workers in the new oil field was to build them a floating village in the river. There are pleasant air-conditioned homes, storehouses, laboratories and machine shops. All supplies come by boat.

READING A BOOK BY TELEVISION

Closed-circuit television screens are installed in the branch libraries of Virginia University.

Students wishing to read a book in the university's main library can use a special telephone, to request a clerk to place the book under a TV camera. By manipulating the controls at his end the student can operate an automatic page turner.

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YOUNG SEAL'S LONG SWIM

It is a long swim—about 500 miles—from the Farne Islands off Northumberland to the Faroes, between the Shetlands and Iceland. Yet this distance has been swum by a baby grey seal less than two months old.

Tagged with an identity label on Brownsman Island when two days old, grey seal No. 3450 was found 56 days later on a beach in the Faroe Islands, which have their own breeding colony of grey seals.

This is the most interesting of many items in the recently issued report on the studies of the seals of the Farnes by the Newcastle Natural History Society. The seals are now in the middle of their breeding season, for it is in autumn that their pups, or calves, are born, and these are weighed, measured, counted, and tagged by the naturalists.

GROWING POPULATION

Most calves leave in the New Year. It is then that many make their big journeys, some having travelled with their tags as far as Banffshire and Norfolk, though others remain nearby. Whereas only about 200 seals lived at the Farnes before the war, the islands now have a population believed to be over 2000, producing about 700 calves last year.

The recent studies are not only concerned with their travels. It has been found, for instance, that the cow seal recognises her calf by smell, not sight. In a few days after birth the baby seals weigh between 30 and 50 lb. A naturalist has been examining the sick calves, of which there are several. Most of these were found suffering from septic wounds or from eye trouble, and the survey is trying to find if these are due to overcrowding, or to neglect by their parents.

EUROPEAN FREE TRADE

Britain and a bold new scheme for prosperity

Important steps are now being taken to create a European Free Trade area to include 17 countries which are members of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (O.E.E.C.). These countries include Britain.

They also include the six countries of "Little Europe," sometimes called the Messina Powers: France, Italy, West Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, Luxemburg.

The C.N. Political Correspondent here explains what European Free Trade means and also discusses some of its problems as they affect Britain.

In June 1955 the six "Little Europe" countries met at Messina in Sicily. From their talks came proposals for a six-nation Customs Union. Under this system the members could send their products across the present frontiers within the combined area of the six without having to pay taxes, called tariffs.

For trading purposes the six would be treated as one country and the effect would be to cut down the prices of goods sold to each other. This could bring a huge advantage in world markets over the goods of nations outside the free trade area.

BASIC DIFFERENCES

Next January the common market treaty between the six Messina Powers is scheduled to take effect. The other European countries have long considered that the best way to deal with the common market idea was not to suppress it—even if that could be done—but to extend it and broaden it into what is called a free trade area. There were originally three basic differences between the two systems:

COMMON MARKET, favoured by the Messina Powers, includes a Customs Union, embraces agriculture as well as industry, and also takes in the overseas territories of members.

FREE TRADE AREA, urged by Britain and some other European countries, does not envisage a Customs Union, covers industry and not agriculture (though there are differences of view on this), and excludes overseas territories.

SLIDING SCALE

One bright point about the Customs Union. In both schemes the basic idea is to cut down tariffs between member-countries on a sliding scale over a period of years—a little bit one year, a little bit more the next, and so on. Such plans will take about 15 years to complete, before trade between members is really free.

But the Customs Union affects tariffs between member-countries as a whole, and the outside countries. The six common market nations (Messina Powers) would gradually reduce tariffs among themselves, but also set up a common external tariff wall so as to form a Customs Union. The free trade area nations would not abolish tariffs among themselves, but only reduce them. But they would keep up tariffs against outside countries individually.

What is the picture today? Talks on a free trade area have been

going on urgently during the past year. The urgency was heightened when Britain recently proposed a free market between herself and Canada—the beginnings, some people think, of an all-Commonwealth free trade area.

More recently Britain made another dramatic move. Hitherto it had been Britain's condition for joining the scheme that agricultural products should be kept outside the free trade plan. It was to be an industrial free trade area only.

Now, as a gesture to show that Britain is sincere in her efforts to create genuine free trade, she would agree to include agriculture.

PROTECTING THE FARMER

The condition is that she must have the right to exclude certain products when she feels it would be against her broad general interests to include them.

Of course, Britain wants to protect her own farmers against the dumping of foods from Europe where those foods can often be more cheaply produced because farm workers may work longer hours for less pay than British workers.

General working conditions abroad, compared with those here, are in fact a stumbling-block to a free trade area with Europe. However, the Labour Party and the trade unions in Britain have accepted the idea in principle, providing that British employment standards are somehow maintained.

THE REASON WHY

But why have a free trade area at all?

For this reason. The United States and Russia, chief rivals of Britain, the Commonwealth and Europe for the world's markets, are themselves free trade areas. They have huge home markets of some 160 and 200 million people, respectively, with no tariff barriers.

Our lives as a trading nation are bound up with Europe and the Commonwealth. Our home market consists only of about 50 million people, who can only be kept going by what they produce as exports. But in Britain and Western Europe together there are some 250 million people. What a vast "home" market that could become.

Of course, it would mean vast changes in British industry. Some goods would be less necessary than others; some factories would have to adapt themselves to new kinds of production.

But the challenge is there and a start has been made. We shall now have to see what Parliament thinks about it.

Valiant worker for peace

The Nobel Peace Prize for 1957 has been awarded to the Canadian statesman, Mr. Lester Pearson. On hearing the news, he said that he was "thunderstruck," and went on to say, with characteristic modesty that he regarded the award, as a tribute to the efforts his country has made in the cause of peace. He hopes to go to Oslo to receive the award on December 10.

Son of a clergyman, Mr. Lester Pearson was born in Toronto 60 years ago, and served in the 1914-18 War, first as a private in a hospital unit, then as a lieutenant in the Canadian Army, and finally as a flying officer.

Continuing his education after the war at Toronto University, he won a Massey Foundation Fellowship to St. John's College, Oxford, where he gained a B.A. degree, and also Blues for hockey and lacrosse. Returning to Canada, he became a professor of history at Toronto University—a profes-



Mr. Lester Pearson

sor who was also able to coach the Varsity football and hockey teams.

His public career began in 1928, when he became First Secretary in the Canadian Department of External Affairs. After travelling widely on special missions he served for six years in the Canadian High Commissioner's office in London.

He was appointed Ambassador to the United States in 1945 and took part in the San Francisco Conference that drew up the United Nations Charter. In 1948 he became Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, and represented his country at many vital Commonwealth and international meetings.

One of the founders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (N.A.T.O.), he became Chairman of the North Atlantic Council in 1951, and in 1956 was one of the Committee of Three appointed to advise the Council on ways of promoting unity and non-military co-operation among the countries belonging to N.A.T.O. He has also acted as President of the United Nations General Assembly.

Throughout his distinguished diplomatic career of nearly 30 years Mr. Pearson has striven tirelessly to foster friendship and understanding between the nations.

His Nobel Peace Prize is a fitting award for all his efforts.

News from Everywhere

The use of compressed air to keep shipping lanes free of ice is to be extended this winter in Sweden. The compressed air forces the warmer water up to the surface.

BRAVE JANET

Janet Haley of Doncaster, stricken with polio and unable to use her hands, has passed her eleven-plus examination. She wrote with a pen held between her toes.

Whitby farmer Mr. J. Noble has grown three acres of kale over six feet high. He estimates the yield to be 40 tons compared with the usual 25. And it all came from 9 lb. of seed.

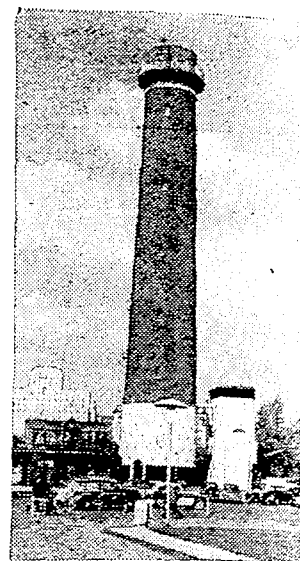
London Zoo is now open to the public all day on Sundays. Previously, admission during the mornings had been limited to fellows of the Zoological Society and their guests.

TWO RECORDS

British European Airways broke two records in August. They became the first airline to carry over 400,000 passengers in a month, and the first to make over £1,000,000 profit in a month.

Red flares, burning for about ten minutes, are to be used by the Metropolitan Police to warn drivers of dangerous conditions ahead due to a road accident.

A balloon released at Laleham, Middlesex, travelled 1000 miles to Poland.



A tower in London

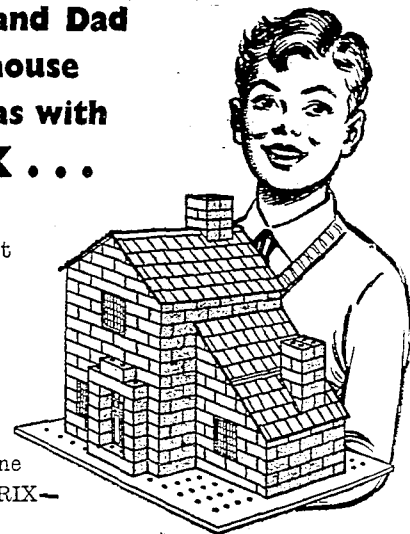
London's famous Shot Tower on the south bank of the Thames, it will eventually be demolished and the surrounding site used as an underground car park.

Engraved silver spoons have been presented to Prince Charles and Princess Anne by the Amateur Swimming Association in recognition of the excellent progress they have made at swimming.

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STAMP NEWS

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Samuel. It is one of a pair to be issued by Australia next week to carry the message of Christmas all over the world.

Two stamps in East Germany have been issued specially to publicise savings banks.

A NEW Cuban stamp honours John Robert Gregg, who invented a system of shorthand.

Australia and New Zealand will both issue stamps next year to commemorate the same event—the 50th anniversary of the first flight across the Tasman Sea, by Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith.

A SHEET of 15 Gambia stamps bought for five shillings from a post office about 80 years ago has been sold in London for £800. It has no perforations.

UNITED NATIONS will issue a stamp for Human Rights Day, December 10. It will depict a flaming torch and be inscribed in five languages—English, French, Spanish, Russian, and Chinese.

Maker of cricket bats

A man who has been making cricket bats for 55 years has just retired. He is Mr. Henry Bartles, who joined the famous Nottingham firm of Gunn and Moore in 1902, when he was 15. During all his long career the technique of making cricket bats has altered very little; some small parts are shaped by machine, but knives and planes are still used for the careful shaping necessary.

Mr. Bartles once repaired a bat overnight for England skipper A. C. Maclaren. When it was taken to Trent Bridge, Maclaren was batting and had scored four. With the repaired bat he went on to make a century.

MUSHROOM GROWTHS

The tremendous strength exerted by plants in their struggle to grow, was demonstrated in Norwich recently when mounds appeared in the tarmac of a car park.

Investigations showed that the eruptions were caused by mushrooms pushing their way up and splitting a three-inch layer of tarmac.

LATE LUNCH

While clearing out his house at Herne Bay, Kent, Mr. William Stacey came upon an emergency ration pack issued to him during the Siege of Ladysmith in 1899, during the Boer War.

Inside he found bully beef and chocolate, which he had for lunch. His verdict: "Very tasty."



By cycle to the Arctic

Janet Williams (left) of Kivver, and Erica Dowson of Stourton recently returned to their Staffordshire homes after a cycling tour which took them through Scandinavia to beyond the Arctic Circle. In four months they covered 2000 miles.

Bird sanctuary in her back garden

Thirteen-year-old Elaine Jones of Baglan, Port Talbot, has persuaded her parents to turn their garden into a sanctuary where she can care for injured birds.

One of her patients was a jackdaw with a hurt leg. Elaine patched him up and now he is as good as new.

Another jackdaw has taken to waking the family every morning by pecking at the bedroom windows.

BATTLE RELICS ON THE CLIFFS

The Suffolk town of Southwold has restored and remounted the old cannon on top of its famous Gun Hill.

The cannon were already 150 years old when they were presented to the town by the Duke of Cumberland in 1745. They were used to defend the town against privateers who used to capture local ships and their crews. Now, mounted on smart new wooden blocks, they are once again turned on Sole Bay.

TIMBER FROM THE WATERS

The flooding of big areas of forest land for reservoirs and hydro-electric schemes has meant the loss of much valuable timber, but Russian engineers have now found a way of recovering it from the waters.

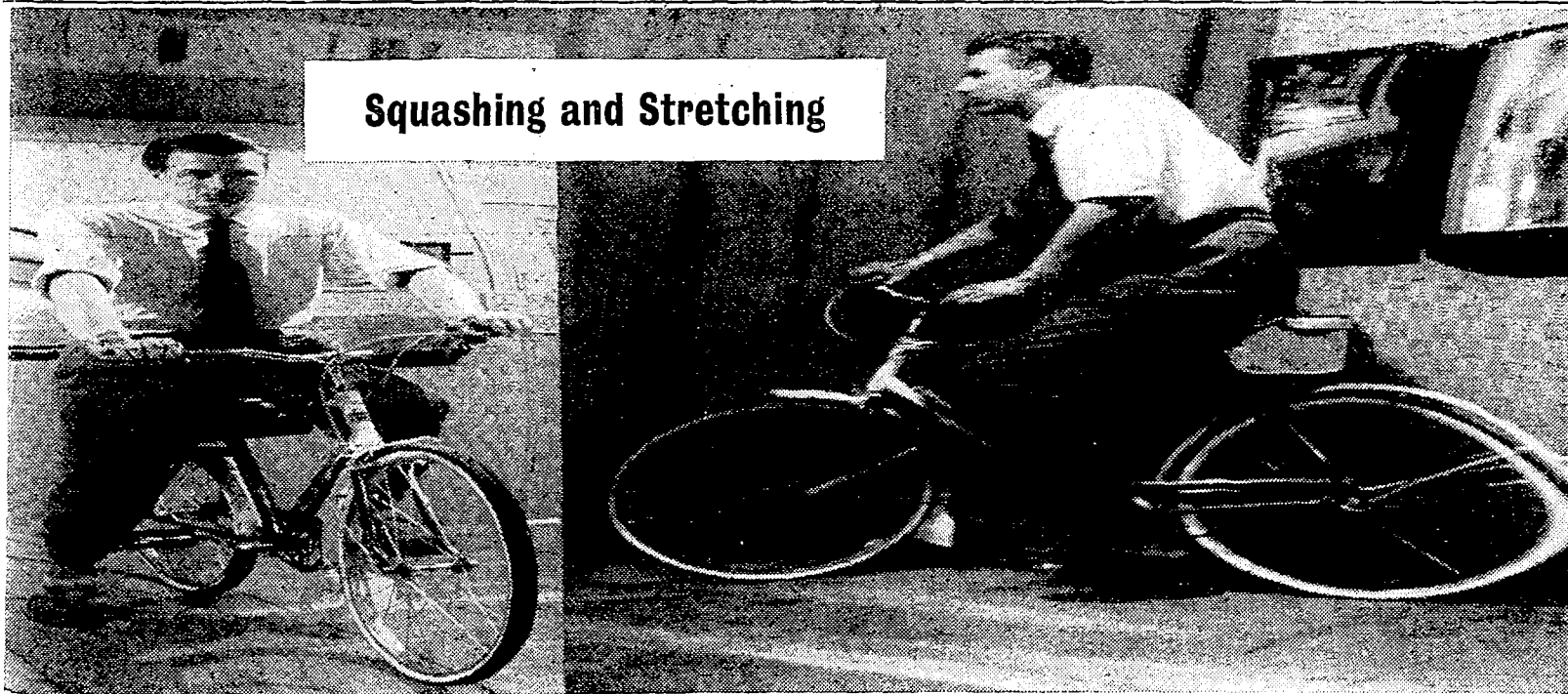
The felling will be carried out from floating "timber-yards" equipped with all the apparatus for cutting the trunks into timber of various sizes and for processing waste material for use in paper-making. Cutting tools will fell the trees at the roots and automatic winches will haul them to the surface and on to the deck of the floating timber-yard, which is practically a floating factory.

The first of these factories is being built on the Angara River at Bratsk, in northern Siberia.

WRONG FLAG

Australian schoolchildren John Degan and Diana Copeland paid a visit to Captain Cook's cottage in Melbourne not long ago and spotted that something was wrong about the Union Jack flying above it. It bore the cross of St. Patrick, which was not added to the Union Jack until 1801, 22 years after Captain Cook's death. This resulted in a special flag like the one flown by Captain Cook, being ordered. At a special ceremony recently, the two children, eleven-year-olds, were given the honour of raising the flag above the cottage.

Squashing and Stretching



Photographed in the Distorting Mirrors on Southend Pier

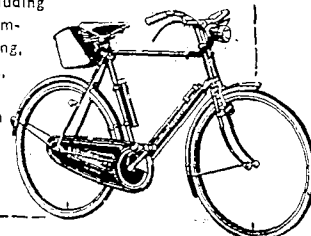
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KIT CARSON OF THE WILD FRONTIER

YOUNG viewers in Lancashire and Yorkshire will be the first to make the acquaintance of Kit Carson, the historic frontier scout and plainsman who ranged California and the Mexican border over a hundred years ago. He comes to Granada TV on November 8, in the person of the burly American six-footer Bill Williams,

of his skirmishes with marauding Indians.

Soon, I hear, it is hoped the series will also be given a run in London and Birmingham.

Christopher (Kit) Carson was born in Madison County, Kentucky, on Christmas Eve, 1809, one of a family of ten children. His father was killed in an accident when Kit was still young, so with scarcely any schooling at all, he was apprenticed to a saddler. To the end of his days he could neither read nor write, but was able to sign his name.

He always yearned for adventure, and the turning point in his life came when, on horseback one day, he met a famous soldier, who taught him self-discipline and military tactics. Kit Carson became renowned as one of the greatest frontier scouts of all time. His life was crowned with the Governorship of Fort Garland, Colorado.

Curly-haired Bill Williams is well suited to the part. A great athlete, he was junior swimming champion of America 20 years ago.

Don Diamond, a 32-year-old bachelor, claims to be able to talk in 15 languages and dialects, ranging from Spanish and Russian to Japanese, Irish, and Cockney.

Junior edition of Criss Cross Quiz

THE children's edition of Criss Cross Quiz begins on all ITV channels on November 7. Organised by Granada, this quiz is one of the most exciting, and at the same time most informative, of all TV general knowledge games.

Criss Cross Quiz is played on an electrically-controlled Noughts and Crosses board, each square representing a subject on which questions can be asked. Two competitors battle it out at any one time, and the first to obtain a line of three Noughts or Crosses wins. After each round of questions the subjects for each square are changed.

The children's version will follow the same pattern, except that there will be no money prizes. Points will be scored instead, with prizes of a money value to match the points. For example, scores up to 50 points will win prizes like silver pencils and pens or footballs up to a maximum of £5-worth. A score of 100 points, equal to £10, could win a camera or ballet or riding lessons. The maximum of 300 points would earn the competitor a weekend in Paris.

The age range for young challengers is from 12 to 15.

Criss Cross Quiz, though seen from all ITV stations, will tour the different studios—three weeks in Manchester, three in the Midlands, and so on. This will give children in different districts an equal chance to compete without travelling long distances.

LOOKING BACK ON 21 YEARS OF LOOKING IN

EXACTLY 21 years ago next Saturday there was terrific excitement in Studios A and B at Alexandra Palace, and down in the transmitter hall, too. For on that day—November 2, 1936—the world's first high-definition television service was opened by the Postmaster-General in a double ceremony. I was there, and I can still recall the commotion as the P.M.G., with Lord Reith, then Director-General of the BBC, and other distinguished people, sped along the corridor from one studio to another. This sort of indoor relay race was necessary so that the TV systems then being tried could have a fair chance.

The Marconi—E.M.I. system, still in use today, was operated from Studio A, now the scene of the BBC colour TV tests. Studio B, now used for the TV News, was employed in those days for an ingenious intermediate film method. The scene was first filmed, the reel was then raced through developing and fixing tanks, and televised while still wet within a space of 63 seconds.

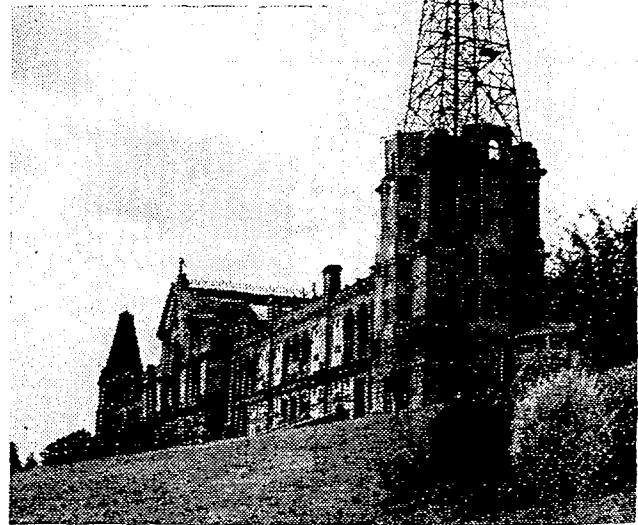
BBC Children's TV is celebrating the 21st birthday on Friday. Producer Kevin Sheldon tells me it will be a Scrapbook for 1936, consisting mainly of newsreels.

In an anniversary Sportsview this Wednesday evening Peter Dimmock will look back on 21 years in TV sport. Viewers will see film taken at TV's first outside broadcast—at Wimbledon in 1937—when Donald Budge won the singles championship.

Seven years of Eurovision will

be celebrated on Friday with Richard Dimbleby introducing telerecordings of outstanding broadcasts. The programme opens with the first live cross-Channel TV in 1950, when British viewers saw pictures from the French coast at Calais.

Sound radio joins in congratulations on Saturday. TV cameras will be set up in a Broadcasting House studio during Saturday. Night on the Light to provide an item in TV's 21st birthday Gala Variety show. In the finale, the Scottish Junior Singers will be seen in Scotland in a round-Britain sing-song shared with the Royal Choral Society in London and the Treorchy Male Voice Choir in Wales.



Alexandra Palace as it was in 1936

Men of the Control Tower

No Admittance except on Business is the rule at the Control Tower on London Airport. Robert Gunnell, producer for the BBC's Network Three, had very important business there the other day. With compère Glyn Roberts he was admitted in order to create a sound picture of the work of the traffic controllers.

Listeners to the Younger Generation series, This Changing

World, at 6.15 p.m. this Wednesday can hear the results. The story concerns the electronic aids which enable the controllers to guide aircraft all the time they are within operational range, coming and going, and manoeuvring on the airport itself. We can also hear a young B.O.A.C. pilot describing the electrical equipment in the cockpit of one of the latest airliners.



In the Control Tower at London Airport

He helped Bonnie Prince Charlie to escape

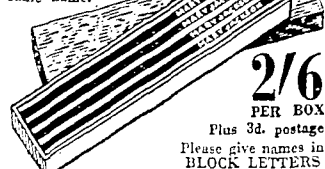
WE all know how, after the Battle of Culloden in 1746, Bonnie Prince Charlie, the Young Pretender, made his escape to the Island of Skye. We know, too, that the brave Scotswoman Flora Macdonald organised that escape. But how many people know the story of Donald MacLeod, who also played a vital part in the escape?

We can learn the truth in The Grey Pilot, Angus McVicar's new four-part serial starting in BBC Children's Hour this Wednesday. MacLeod was a 60-year-old man who set out by boat one day in 1746 to fetch his son from school. But chance threw him in the path of the fugitive Prince. It fell to MacLeod to steer the Young Pretender's boat past the rocks and shoals of the Hebrides and out to the safe haven of Skye.

Angus McVicar himself comes from the Highlands. Many of his ancestors played a part in the Jacobite risings of 1715 and 1745. In the Second World War he was in three assault landings—Madagascar, Sicily, and Italy—and was mentioned in dispatches for his part in the break-out at Anzio.

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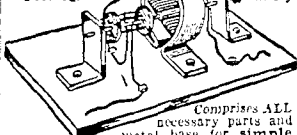
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LEADER OF THE KOREAN GIRL GUIDES

Gallant little company who carried on

The attractive lady in this photograph is Mrs. Kim Lah. Director of the Girl Scouts in Korea, who has been visiting England to study the training programmes for Guide Companies and Brownie Packs in this country.

She had already been on the same mission in the United States, aided by a grant from the "Juliette Low World Friendship Fund." Every one of the million Girl Scouts in the United States contributes one dollar a year to this fund, which is named after the lady who started Girl Scouting in America in 1912.

In our picture Mrs. Lah is seen with the two dolls in Korean national costume which she has given to Guide Headquarters in London.

"In years gone by," Mrs. Lah said, "when you saw a girl with a long plait, like this doll's (pointing to the one on the right), it meant she was unmarried. On her wedding day she coiled her plait at the back of her head with gold and silver pins. Now that the permanent wave has come to Korea, you do not often see a plait, although national costumes are still worn on New Year's Day and on birthdays."



Mrs. Kim Lah displays two dolls in Korean national dress

Mrs. Lah has played a leading part in Girl Scouting in Korea. It began in 1946 and developed until the sudden outbreak of war in Korea in 1950, when all equipment and facilities were lost and the members scattered. But 13 Girl Scouts escaped to Pusan in the south and begged Mrs. Lah to form a company.

The girls only had their Scout badges and their motto of service. "Be Prepared," but this gallant little company carried on, organising games for the refugee children and doing what they could for the old. Mrs. Lah did not speak much of this terrible time except to say: "We were always seeking for a safer place to keep our lives."

Now the Girl Scout Movement in Korea, helped by leaders from the United States and New Zealand, is forging ahead again and is 2000 strong.

Korean Girl Scouts are learning to camp and have their national camp site about 30 miles from Seoul.

Mrs. Lah is now on her way home, via Switzerland, Greece, Burma, and Hong Kong, to rejoin her husband and family of four sons—Jeimin and Jeihoon, who are Wolf Cubs, and Jeikwan and Jeikun.



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"PLEASE to remember The Fifth of November."—and should you be among the winners of this week's topical colouring competition, we feel certain that you will always have good cause to remember that date. On this occasion, we are offering as main prizes, five gleaming new "Timex" Wrist-watches. All CN readers under 17 living in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, and the Channel Islands are invited to enter—and as usual, it is free!

To try for a prize, first cut out the picture and coupon together, then paste them on a postcard. When quite dry, use water paints or crayon to colour the picture as carefully and imaginatively as possible.

Complete the coupon with your name, age, and address, ask an adult to sign it as your own work, and post to: CN Competition No. 27 3 Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.4, (Comp.),

to arrive not later than Tuesday, November 12, the closing date.

Wrist-watches will be awarded for the five best colourings received, with age taken fully into account. Surprise consolation awards for the ten next best. The Editor's decision is final.



This colouring is entirely my own work

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CUT OUT ROUND THIS LINE

SPOTTING SHIPS AS A HOBBY

Boys who make a hobby of train-spotting or plane-spotting may be interested in the Ship Recognition Corps. Fully-trained members can classify a ship at sea as readily as others can recognise aeroplanes, cars, or birds.

Ship-spotting has its serious side, for it might prove highly useful in the defence of our island, but it can also be an attractive hobby, and one that can be pursued by those who do not live near the sea.

Part of the Corps' equipment is to be a book containing the drawings of some 10,000 ships. Knowledge thus gained can be tested on a visit to a seaside resort or to a port.

Further information can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary, Ship Recognition Corps, White Lodge, Nackington, Canterbury.

FOR STAMP COLLECTORS

A book dealing with the complete history of postage has been written specially for young people by Mr. James Watson. It is called The Story of the Stamp (Faber, 15s.).

The story of postage begins, astonishingly, about the year 3000 B.C., but the author does not dwell too long in the remote past, being more concerned with stamps, which, of course, came very much later.

He deals with their origin, how they are designed, how they are printed, and how errors occur. He deals, in fact, with all that a young collector needs to know about stamps.

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The Editor's Table

ONE OF THE GRATEFUL MILLIONS

ANTARCTIC TREK

MANY years may pass before Man ventures forth into Outer Space. Meanwhile, old planet Earth still has plenty of adventures to offer. One such adventure is the British Commonwealth Antarctic Expedition's attempt to cross the great White Continent from sea to sea.

The party led by Dr. Vivian Fuchs has left Shackleton Base on the Weddell Sea and started on a 1700-mile march, via the South Pole, to Scott Base on the other side of Antarctica. And Sir Edmund Hillary and his New Zealanders have left Scott Base to establish supply bases for them to use on the last stage of their historic journey.

That is the plan, and all the resources of modern science are there to help. But for those who journey into the inhospitable frozen wastes of Antarctica it is still hardship all the way, and danger on every hand. Among the greatest hazards, ever present, are the snow-covered chasms into which a tractor can disappear in a moment.

Such is the No Man's Land which these explorers are now attempting to cross. May complete success crown all their courage and endurance!



OUR HOMELAND

THERE was a time when sufferers from the terrible disease of leprosy were condemned to spend their lives in suffering and isolation. Now, thanks to a modern medical miracle, the world's dwindling number of lepers can look forward to living normal lives, provided the disease is treated in time.

This little girl, from a village in Northern Ghana, is one of the lucky ones. Thanks to the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Health Organisation, she is receiving early treatment at one of the centres recently set up in Ghana.

She is seen here leaving the leprosy clinic after taking a dose of the anti-leprosy drugs. In her hand she carries a matchbox containing the tablets to be taken later in the week.



Thirty Years Ago

From the Children's Newspaper,
November 5, 1927

THERE has just been put into use at Lambeth Hospital what is probably the most wonderful wireless installation at any hospital in the world.

All the buildings within the hospital are connected with the central set, and entertainments given at the hospital can be enjoyed by all the inmates, besides the broadcasts from London and Daventry.

Making their own beds

A FEW years ago, a party of students leaving London for a work-camp in Yugoslavia were given a pamphlet telling them that they would have to make their own beds. They thought little more about it until they arrived, and were issued with pieces of wood, nails, and a hammer. The instructions were literal, being concerned with carpentry and not with the ordinary chore of sheets and blankets!

Recalling this incident recently, Mr. T. J. Meredith of the National Union of Students pointed out that since then accommodation for students has greatly improved.

Increasing numbers of young people are availing themselves of these cheap foreign holidays arranged by the N.U.S., and by the end of the year it is expected that the total will be well over 6000.

THEY SAY . . .

INDUSTRY is only a means to an end and not an end in itself. It's the people that come first. Their life in and out of working hours is the only really important thing.

Prince Philip

GIRLS are fully the match for boys at school, but too few of them go on to the universities. The number of girls in universities is only one-third the number of men, and only about 100 girls are in technological departments compared with about 500 men . . . This does suggest that there are pretty big resources which remain untapped.

Sir Edward Boyle

I do not believe that there is any real limit to the things discoverable or even to those worth discovering. On the contrary, each discovery seems to show more possibilities, each ascent opens a wider region of unexplored country to men's view.

Sir George Thomson,
Master of Corpus Christi
College, Cambridge

WE don't believe in providing everything free. Sometimes modern youth is said to be given everything on a plate. It is not so among our clubs.

Spokesman of the National
Association of Boys' Clubs

Think on These Things

JESUS promised His disciples that they would receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. And when this came to pass they felt a new power at work in their lives, making them strong and fearless. It was the Holy Spirit of God.

So Christians came to believe in what we call the Trinity; that God is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

We can appreciate something of what this means when we consider what happens when we pray. We offer our prayers to God the Father, and as we pray Jesus stands, as it were, beside us. He is with us, and we also know that it is the Holy Spirit of God Himself which is guiding and inspiring our prayers. O. R. C.

Out and About

PEOPLE can be too tidy-minded. This is true of many gardeners and, in the country, among others, local councils or their employees. Perhaps it was a workman under council orders that I saw demolishing the house martins' nests under the eaves of the Rural District offices. They have been interesting to watch for years, and were so last month until the martins emigrated.

The nests are nicely shaped mud-cups with the tops closed, except for an entrance hole, and are stuck on the side of the wall as high as possible under the eaves. Through spring and summer and early autumn there was such cheerful twittering and coming and going. We heard it as the house martins returned from hunting flies, at one time to feed hungry young, and again early last month when it was due just to growing restlessness before the birds flew away.

WINTER QUARTERS

But the loss of their nests will not affect only the house martins, who will build new ones somewhere next April. Various small birds when cold weather comes are glad to squeeze into such sheltered nests that are much bigger than their own. A year ago I saw part of a flock of wrens seeking winter quarters of this kind, and as many of them as could push their way in occupied all the house martins' nests, the idea obviously being to keep warm by being tightly packed together.

In their own very neat little nests there is room only for two grown wrens, small as they are. Those nests are built in the breeding season when the birds are in pairs. At this time of year most of our winter residents form flocks; these tend to feed and shelter together as nearly as possible in the same place.

FIRE FESTIVAL

One reward of tidying up in parks and gardens and certain fields is a very enjoyable one at this time of year. Long before November the first was All Saints' Day, or November the fifth was Guy Fawkes' Day, October 31, All Hallows Eve as it is called, was the day of an ancient pagan fire festival over much of Europe. Fires were lit in recognition of the going of the Sun and the coming of winter. There is something of that feeling still about bonfires: they are all the more welcome because we are noticing the loss of sunlight.

But bonfires are beautiful anyhow, not only with the crackle and the stabs of orange flame, but also with the blueish purple plumes of smoke, curling and floating above the brown and green earth. C. D. D.

JUST AN IDEA

As Oliver Goldsmith wrote: Don't let us make imaginary evils, when you know we have so many real ones to encounter in life.

JUST A FEW WORDS

HERE is an entertaining way to increase your knowledge of words. Each numbered sentence below is followed by three answers or comments you might make; but, in each case, only one is correct and shows that you have understood the meaning of the word in italics. To answer five or six correctly is very good.

(Answers are given on page 16)

1. What a *voracious* creature!
A—A big appetite.
B—A nasty temper.
C—Unbelievably ugly.
2. My friend is *acquiescent*.
A—Sleepy.
B—Takes whatever he wants.
C—Agrees with our suggestion.
3. She has no *compunction*.
A—Poise.
B—Energy.
C—Remorse.
4. I heard that *adage* recently.
A—Poem.
B—Proverb.
C—Piece of music.
5. You ought not to *procrastinate*.
A—Put things off.
B—Stir up trouble.
C—Worry over details.
6. They accused him of *nepotism*.
A—Desire to run away.
B—Favouritism to his relations.
C—Maintaining too strict discipline.

Robin Hood's Bay in the North Riding of Yorkshire

ESCAPE OF AN ENEMY

Yet another real-life war adventure has been brought to the screen in a new British film. It is called *The One That Got Away*, and it has a new twist, because the hero is a German flying ace.

During the Battle of Britain Oberleutnant Franz von Werra was shot down over Britain. He was a brave, audacious, and rather cocky young man, who made no secret of the fact that he was determined to escape. From the moment of capture he dedicated himself to this task. On his first attempt he was quickly recaptured but, nothing daunted, he got away again.

The second time he posed as a Dutch pilot, and, by a neat trick, he nearly flew away from Britain in a new Hurricane. But he was outwitted at the last moment. Then, with other prisoners of war, he was sent to Canada. On the way to the prison camp, just past Montreal, he daringly jumped from the train.

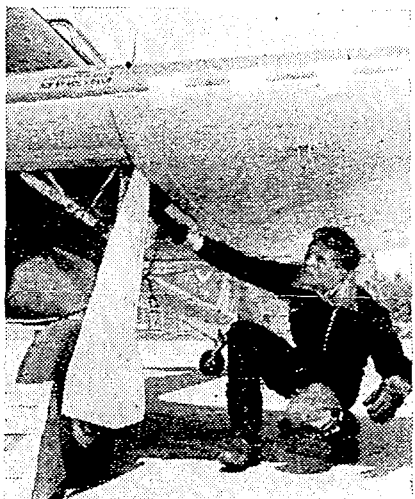
Through snow and ice he trekked to the St. Lawrence River which, to his delight, he found was frozen. He only had to get across the river to the then neutral United States of America and he would be safe. So he set out on this arduous journey. Half way across he found the river's ice had broken. So, patiently and doggedly, he returned in his trucks, found a small rowing boat and dragged it across the ice. In this way, half-frozen, he reached American territory.

Later, though we do not see this in the film, he also contrived to escape into Mexico and eventually landed up in his homeland, the only German prisoner captured in Britain to get back to Germany.

Why should a British studio bother with a film which makes the British look foolish and spotlights the enemy so splendidly? Because courage knows no frontiers, and von Werra certainly had both courage and impudence.

Somehow our sympathies are always with the German, even though the Air Force and Army Intelligence officers are being so completely outwitted.

This is mainly because of a splendid, virile performance by a



The escaping pilot inspects the plane he hopes to fly to Germany

German actor who is new to us, Hardy Kruger. He plays von Werra with assurance and amusing bravado. The producer has not relied on star actors for his film, but all the smaller parts are played admirably.

Roy Baker has directed this film in a way that keeps the suspense alive throughout. The final scenes are remarkably well photographed and Hardy Kruger brilliantly suggests the man's agony as he painstakingly edges his way across the frozen river to eventual freedom.

Altogether, this is a very good escape film and one well worth seeing.



Escape in progress—two of von Werra's accomplices close the trap door after him as he drops into their escape tunnel

The Bible in our modern language

In a small house on the Banbury Road in Oxford, Professor C. H. Dodd is working on the long and important job of giving the English-speaking people a new Bible. He has been in charge of this project for the last ten years.

Our present Bible, known as the Authorised Version, is written in the language of over 300 years ago, our language as it was in the days of King James I. It was the work of a team of translators and was published in 1611.

GREAT CLASSIC

Of course, the stately English of the present Authorised Version has endeared itself to three centuries of English life and is established as a great classic of our English tongue. But Dr. Dodd points out that he is not trying to replace that Bible. No one could do that. But he and his friends want to give the English people a Bible in the tongue of their own time, and they believe they can do it.

It will be a long time yet before Dr. Dodd's team of scholars, who live in all parts of Britain, finish the entire work. They have, however, completed the New Testament on which Professor Dodd is putting the finishing touches. Dr. Dodd is probably the most famous of all British scholars on the New Testament, and his part in the translation is to examine the drafts of the various scholars and to check their translations and, above all, to give the new book the grace of readability.

NEW WORDING ON TRIAL

In 1960, or thereabouts, when the first part of their work—the New Testament—is published, we shall see whether the new wording is as graceful and lovable as the old. Of course, it is bound to seem unfamiliar at first, but the truth of the words will still be there.

To give the new version a proper standing the Queen's Printers, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode and the University Presses of Oxford and Cambridge, are sponsoring the translation and will publish the complete Bible when it is ready. This may be a long time after 1960, because the Old Testament portion is still a long way from being finished.

AMERICAN VERSION

In the United States people are eagerly buying copies of the new American Standard Revised Version of the Bible. In this, American scholars have gone through the text and altered over 300 words which have now changed their meaning with the course of time. For instance, the Authorised Version says "let" when it means "hinder," "prevent" for "precede," "allow" for "approve," "communicate" for "share," "conversation" for "conduct," "wealth" for "well-being."

The American Bible uses the present-day word and so comes nearer the meaning which the old-time word used to convey.

FRENCH RAILWAYS UP-TO-DATE

French National Railways have been experimenting with driverless trains! Tests have shown that trains driven by remote control could be operated almost immediately on a 35-mile stretch of the Paris-Lausanne line.

Meanwhile, the main line between Paris, Amiens, and Lille has been electrified, together with the line from Strasbourg and across the Swiss border to Basle. This completes the electrified system between north-east France, the Low Countries, and Switzerland.

Submarine circles the world

When H.M.S. *Thorough* returns to this country in December, she will be the first submarine to have sailed right round the world.

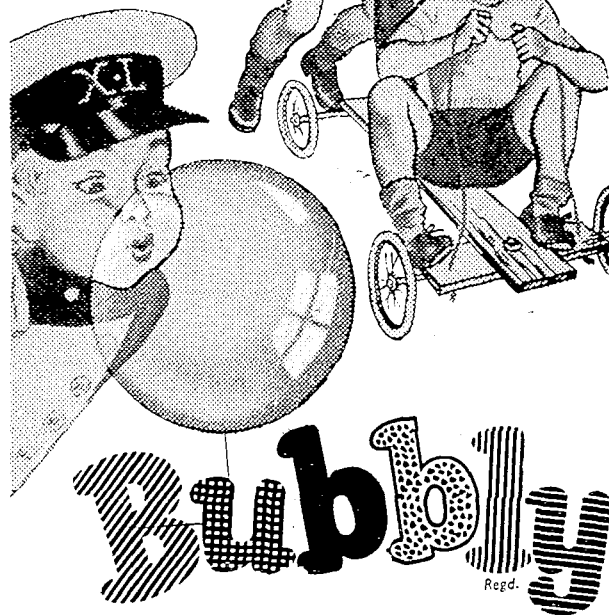
In 1949 she sailed to Australia, via the Suez Canal. Now, after being used for training purposes, she is on her way home, via the Pacific and Panama Canal.



For the R.A.F. church

Three stained-glass windows are being made for St. Clement Danes, in the Strand, London, which is being reconstructed. When completed it will serve as the central church of the Royal Air Force. Here we see Mr. A. Burcombe at work on one of them showing Mary and the child Jesus.

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CORONATION OF THE LION OF JUDAH

ADDIS ABABA, Abyssinia—In a church specially built for the occasion 39-year-old Ras Tafari was today crowned "Lion of Judah" in this capital city of his kingdom in Abyssinia. His full title is Haile Selassie I, The Conquering Lion of Judah, Elect of God, King of Kings, Emperor of Ethiopia (or Abyssinia).

The whole city has been transformed for the event. Tarmac has been laid on its two main streets for the first time and the old city gates have been removed.

Car-loads of foreign delegates to

order and dealing with the enormous increase of traffic. It must be remembered that in the last ten years there has only been one car in Addis Ababa—belonging to the Empress. In the past few days hundreds have poured into the city. Among the distinguished visitors is the Duke of Gloucester, representing King George V, who brought a gold Imperial sceptre for the Emperor and an ivory sceptre for the Empress. Gifts from the other foreign delegations included: an aeroplane and an embroidered shawl from Italy, a modern bronze statue from Greece, a bedroom suite from Egypt, and a signed photograph of President von Hindenburg from the Germans.

This morning the Emperor set out from his palace in the coronation coach—which formerly belonged to Kaiser Wilhelm and was presented by Germany—drawn by six white horses from Austria. The Abyssinians attending wore robes of brilliant colours, jewelled swords, head-dresses of gold braid, jewels, and lions' manes. The few Abyssinian women present wore heavy cloaks and huge veiled hats.

The Emperor entered the church in a white and silver cloak and was led to the throne. During the ceremony he was invested with the crimson Robes of State and then received the orb, spears, spurs, and sword.

Then the Abuna or Archbishop crowned the Emperor with a magnificent golden Abyssinian

crown, studded with emeralds and rubies.

The Emperor is small, dark, and slight in build. In 1916, when he was 25, he led a revolt and defeated Lij Yasu, the then ruler of Abyssinia, who planned to conquer neighbouring Italian Eritrea and British Somaliland. Prince Ras replaced Yasu with Zauditu, the daughter of the great Emperor Menelek, and made her Empress. He himself became Regent, and was the real ruler of the State during the Empress's reign. As Regent he began modernising Abyssinia. Schools were built and the wild children educated. Aeroplanes were brought into the country for the first time. Slavery was abolished and hospitals erected.

In 1928 Abyssinia and Italy signed a treaty of friendship promising to settle all disputes by arbitration.

SYMBOL OF STRENGTH

When the Empress died in April this year, Ras claimed to be rightful heir to the throne. Today's ceremony marks the fulfilment of that claim.

The majority of Abyssinians are descended from the ancient Hamites and Semites from Arabia, but they are mixed with Negroes, Arabs, Greeks, and Armenians. Many of the tribes are nomads, wandering over the desert wastelands. The tribal chiefs wear a lion's mane, for the lion is their symbol of strength. That is why the Emperor is called "The Lion of Judah."

(In 1935 Italy declared war on Abyssinia and overran it. The Emperor fled to Palestine and then to Britain. In 1941 he returned to Abyssinia and, backed by the British, defeated the Italians and regained his throne.)

Cleaning the Lights of Paris

To clean the lamps on this bridge across the Seine in Paris, a man has to be raised to them by elevator on a lorry in the roadway below. The elevator operates like the ladders on a fire-engine, carrying the cleaner and his buckets up to the lamps.



A POLICEMAN'S LIFE

A new Choice of Careers booklet called Police (Stationery Office, 1s. 9d.) tells us about the work of the present-day police forces of Britain; and about the training given and the personal qualities needed by this fine body of men and women.

The minimum age for recruits is usually 19 for men and 20 for women; but there are cadet forces which boys can join at 16, or even 15. Three forces have appointed a few girl cadets at the age of 17.

A cadet's pay is generally £4 a week at the age of 16. Free uniform is provided, and those who cannot live at home may receive a lodging allowance. Boys and girls who are unable to join a cadet force on leaving school are advised to take some job which enables them to meet all kinds of people as they will when they become police officers.

The life of a detective always sounds exciting, but the road to the

C.I.D. is through service as a uniformed constable. Incidentally, the Criminal Investigation Department does not mean Scotland Yard only; every police force in the country has its own C.I.D. A constable can volunteer for it after serving his two years' probation.

The uniformed policeman's job, however, is a service that is vital for the welfare of the community. It is a life in which adventure is often just round the corner, and it is certainly never dull for those who are really interested in their fellow-men.

ALL IN A GOOD CAUSE

There are many ways of helping charities, and ten-year-old Richard Parker of Holcombe, Somerset, practises two of them. In the last four years he has collected ten thousand postage stamps, as well as 22 lb. of silver paper and tinfoil, all to be sold for a good cause.



Haile Selassie I in full coronation regalia

the ceremony made their way through streets packed with Abyssinian warriors, armed to the teeth, wearing uniforms trimmed with lions' manes and carrying ancestral shields of solid gold covered with buffalo hide.

For the first time in Abyssinia's history the police were given uniforms, and after an extremely short training period have proved themselves capable of keeping

THE WHITE COMPANY—new picture-version of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's stirring yarn (8)



Continuing the fight with his broken sword, Alleyne knew he must keep at close quarters with his opponent. Nimble he ducked to avoid Tranter's two-handed weapon, then leapt forward. Tranter easily parried the youth's thrust but kept retreating to get more room for a sweeping blow. He did not know he was close to the river's brink until he lost his footing and fell backwards into the Garonne.



Tranter could not swim. The terror in his eyes turned rage to pity in Alleyne's heart and, plunging in, he brought the other to the bank, where willing hands hauled them out. "I am much beholden to you, sir," said Tranter sullenly. Alleyne pointed out that he had not yet apologised for insulting him. "It was but a jest," panted Tranter, "and if you must have it so, I am sorry for it."



Sir Nigel praised his squire's chivalrous conduct. But he remembered that the youth was also a scholar, and sought his help in writing a letter to Lady Loring. Sir Nigel was handier with the lance or sword than with a pen, as he was soon to prove. A tournament was held before the Black Prince's army left Bordeaux for the expedition into Spain, and in the lists the little knight won high honours.



Then a knight arrived who refused to give his name. After beating four champions, he was slightly wounded in a sword fight with Sir Nigel. Admiring the unknown knight's valour, the Prince invited him to his court, but the stranger replied: "I bear no love for you or your race, and there is naught that I wish at your hands until the day when I see the last sail bearing you back to your island."

Who is this mysterious knight who defies the Black Prince? See next week's instalment

After salvaging Windfall, an abandoned yacht owned by Brett Hallam, who has disappeared, the Conways are told by Blake, a London reporter, that the salvaged craft might not be Hallam's boat. If this is true, Jerry argues, then a boat of the same class has been substituted for Windfall. The Conways interview Windfall's builder and learn of the owners of two similar yachts. Anxious to inform Blake, they find he has left his hotel and returned to London. Jerry rings Blake's newspaper—and hears that Blake is not on the staff.

8. Seeking the Domino

The Conways stood there, outside the telephone kiosk, staring blankly at each other for several moments. The shock of finding Blake an impostor slowly receded and in its place came the realisation that the mystery of the Windfall was a serious and very sinister affair. Even Amos would be shaken out of his rather casual attitude now.

Jane dug the toe of her shoe into a crevice between the paving stones. She still found it hard to believe that a pleasant, sociable man like Blake should put on a false act and do it so convincingly, and she wondered if Jerry could have made a mistake.

"You're sure it was the Courier he said he worked for?" she asked at length.

"Positive," Jerry nodded gloomily. "He definitely said he was a reporter from the Daily Courier." He scratched his ear irritably. "If he's not a reporter, who is he? And why is he interested in the Windfall?"

"We don't know what he is, but we know this much, I guess," Jane paused. "He's mixed up in the business somewhere, and because we'd salvaged the yacht he was out to see just how much we knew. I figure we should tell the police."

Jerry shook his head. His jaw set.

"Right now, Jane, we're getting back to Thamford to tell the skipper," he said.

Reporting to Amos

When they left Thamford village and hurried down the road to the river, the Conways found that the works had closed for the night and the quay and jetty were deserted. The Mirelda lay tranquilly at the jetty-head, but there was no sign of Amos on deck. Evidence of loading was obvious enough; a film of white dust lay over almost everything, and Jerry could see by the temporary manner in which the hatch cloth covered the hold that the task had not yet been completed.

They found Amos below, having a wash.

"Thought you'd show up any minute," he said, with a smile. "I popped the kettle on a few minutes ago. How did you get on with Josh Stebbin?"

NO CLUES FOR THE CONWAYS

by Geoffrey Morgan

"Fine," Jerry said. "But that isn't the big news."

"Eh?" Amos queried, pausing in the midst of smoothing down the jersey he had just slipped over his head.

"It's Blake who's the sensation," Jerry couldn't seem to get the surprise out quickly enough. "He's not a reporter at all. At least, not on the staff of the Daily Courier. They've never heard of him."

"If you ask me, he's a crook," Jane said.

"H'm!" Amos grunted thoughtfully. "Seems you can trust no one these days. I thought it a bit strange that a London paper should

"Don't you figure we should tell the police, Amos?" Jane suggested after they had reviewed all the events in the case again. "About Blake, I mean."

"But what is there to go on?" Jerry asked. "We can't give them proof of anything. All we can tell them is we're suspicious. That's not much help. I'd rather try to find out a bit more—like whether another yacht has really been swapped for Hallam's. What d'you think, skipper?"

Amos pushed away his plate and produced his pipe and oilskin pouch. He began to pack the bowl methodically.

Continuing cautiously

"Apart from the fact that the police are probably already on the case," he said thoughtfully, "trying to trace Hallam as the owner of the salvaged yacht, I don't think our wild guesses about what has happened are convincing enough. You see, the only suspicious fact we possess is provided by Blake's strange behaviour in pretending to be someone he isn't. And even that isn't evidence that Hallam and his boat are involved in some sinister and unlawful assignment."

"On the other hand," he continued cautiously, "if Hallam wasn't lost at sea—and I'm now inclined to think he wasn't—and if I could believe that he or someone else for some reason arranged for another boat to be accepted as Windfall, I should still be reluctant to give my ideas to the police before attempting to ascertain the true position."

"Why?" Jane stared across the table in surprise.

The skipper fingered the stem of his pipe.

"Well," he said at length. "Although Brett Hallam is no particular friend of mine, and I've no sympathy with his activities when they go beyond the law, I wouldn't like to put the police on to him at this moment without giving him a chance to explain."

Jerry's idea

"Hear, hear!" Jerry exclaimed vigorously.

"After all," Amos went on, "in spite of Blake, we're still completely in the dark as to what happened."

Jane compressed her lips. "If only we could trace Blake," she murmured.

"It's easier to trace Dr. Weston," Jerry pointed out. He glanced inquiringly at Amos. "I thought it would be a good idea to ring him up first to ask if I could see his yacht."

"What good reason would you give?" Amos puffed at his pipe. "I can't see any owner being very receptive to a stranger phoning up and asking for an appointment to

"But let's not cross that bridge till we come to it."

Amos shifted uncomfortably in his seat.

"After considering what little we know," he said, "I realise it's our duty to follow up any line that might lead us to the truth. If Windfall is a fake, then any one of her sister ships could have been used in the deceit. Dr. Weston is the nearest owner, and his yacht, Domino, is unregistered. If he still has her I don't think she will be the one; but I agree we should find out." He looked at Jerry. "Perhaps you'd better let me do it."

"It's my job. I volunteered first," Jerry pointed out. "And, what's more, it's my idea. I promise to be diplomatic." He rose slowly from the table.

Jane watched him. "You going to telephone him now?"

Jerry grinned down at her.

"Why not?" he said. "The sooner we get it over the better."

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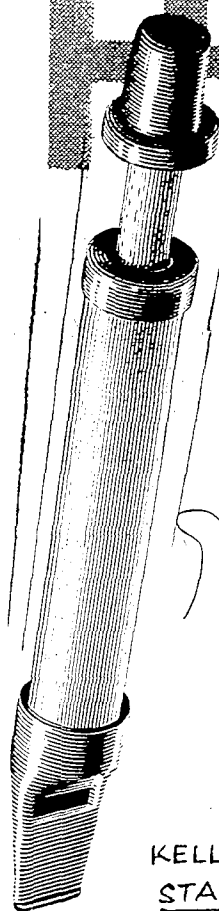


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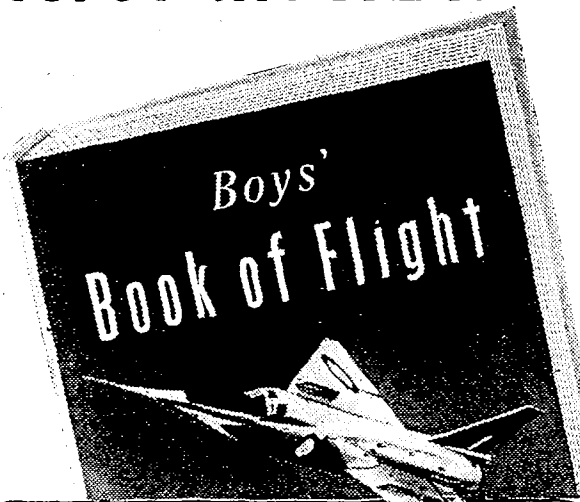
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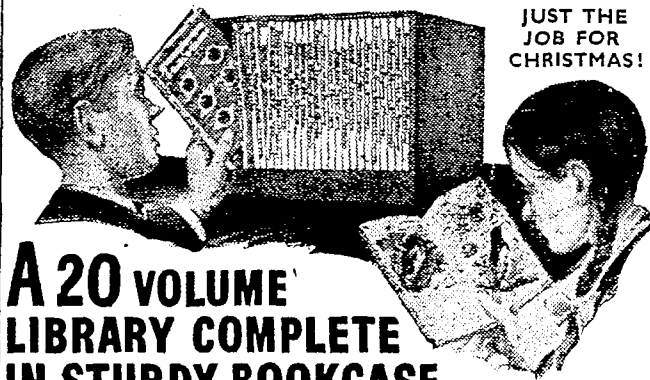
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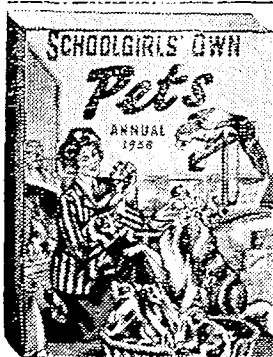
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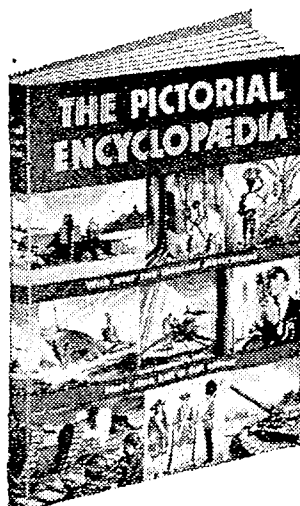
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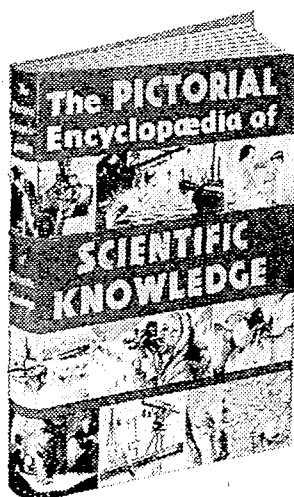
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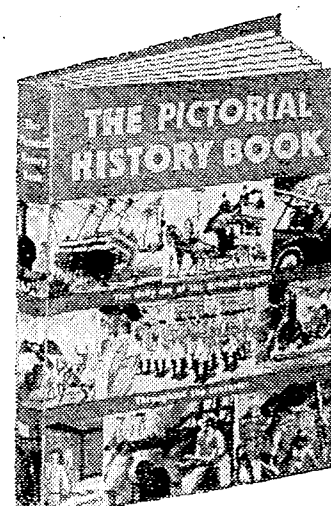
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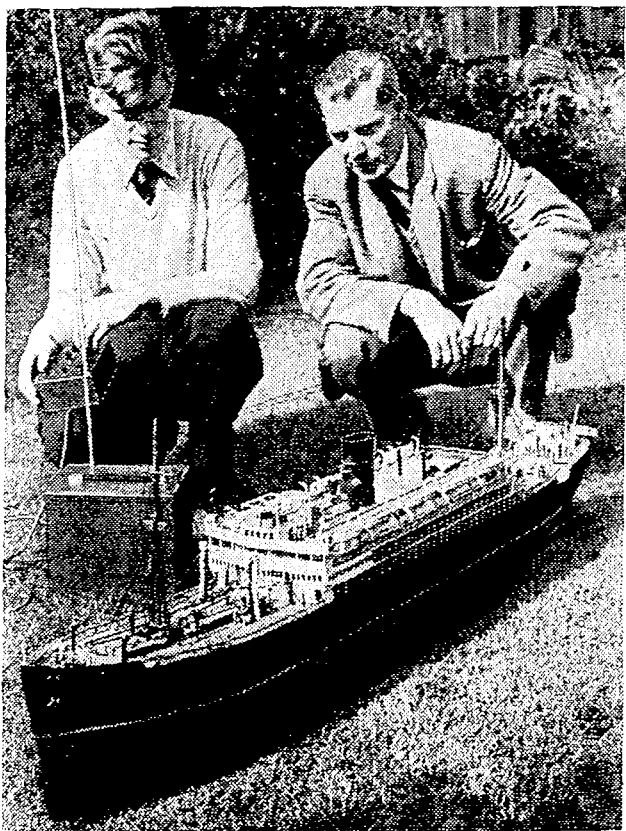
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FINE MODEL SHIPS AND THE MEN WHO MADE THEM



In the picture above we see Mr. Charlie Platten of Oulton Broad, Suffolk, himself once a fisherman, with the scale models he has made of a fishing smack and two steam drifters. Below: Councillor P. W. Scott, Mayor of Halesowen, and his son Christopher have made this magnificent scale model of the Anchor Line ship *Circassia*. Five feet long, it is of balsa wood, is driven by electricity, and can be radio controlled.



HE TOOK THE FIRE TO THE FIREMEN

Finding the back of his ten-ton lorry on fire near Derby, Mr. George Simms of Sheffield telephoned the fire brigade and then drove as fast as he could to meet the firemen. By that time his rear tyres had been burned off and the lorry was running on the rims, and one fire engine drove back down the road putting out a trail of burning rubber.

But because of the driver's presence of mind in going to meet the fire brigade instead of waiting for it to arrive, his load, worth almost £3000, was saved.

BRAVE MEN OF TRINIDAD

For their bravery in preventing a serious explosion in Port of Spain harbour, two Trinidad officials have just been awarded the George Medal. They are Mr. Ronald Cox, Chief Fire Officer in the colony, and Mr. David Bloom, an Assistant Superintendent of the Police Force.

In announcing these awards, the London Gazette recalls that in March this year the May Olive, a wooden schooner with nearly 8000 tons of highly inflammable petroleum products on board, caught fire while anchored in a congested part of the port.

Tribute to the Mayflower heroes

An obelisk now marks the spot where the Pilgrim Fathers made their first attempt to leave England 350 years ago.

It was unveiled at Scotia Creek, near Boston, Lincolnshire, by Lieutenant-Colonel Waldo M. Allen, a descendant of one of the Pilgrim Fathers in the Mayflower, who flew from Chicago for the ceremony.

For all these years there had been nothing to mark the place of this first embarkation of the Pilgrim Fathers and the exact site has been determined by the study of old documents and by research into tides.

The first attempt to emigrate in a company was made in the autumn of 1607. Several attempts had previously been made to leave by two's and three's but they had been frustrated by the king's officers. This time a small, single-masted ship was hired to take to Holland the whole party of Pilgrim Fathers who had been worshipping at Scrooby Manor House. But the captain of the vessel betrayed them and when they were all aboard they were handed over to the law officers and imprisoned in Boston Guildhall, though the magistrates released most of them.

TWELVE YEARS LATER

In the following year the little band managed to sail from Hull to Amsterdam, and some of them eventually arrived in the New World, twelve years later, by way of Southampton in the *Speedwell*, and then onwards from Plymouth in the *Mayflower*.

The Boston obelisk is of grey Cornish granite. A pillar, representing a minority, rises from a cubic base, symbolising the general mass of the public. Straight lines indicate the simplicity of the Pilgrims, and their ruggedness is suggested by the rough-hewn finish of the monument.

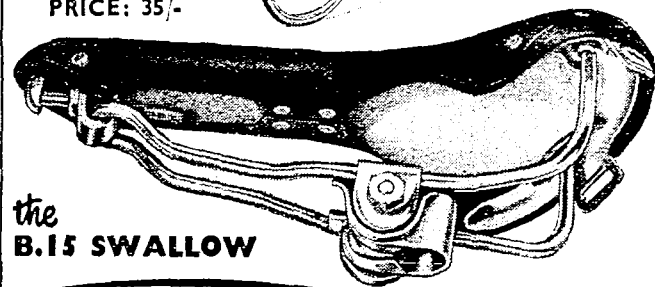
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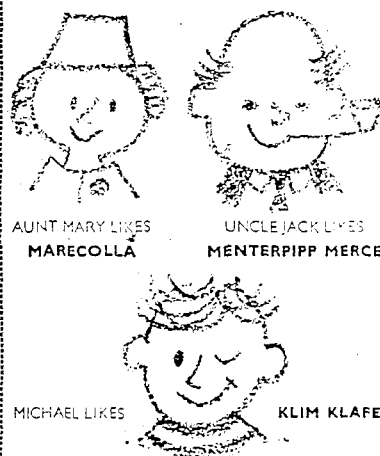
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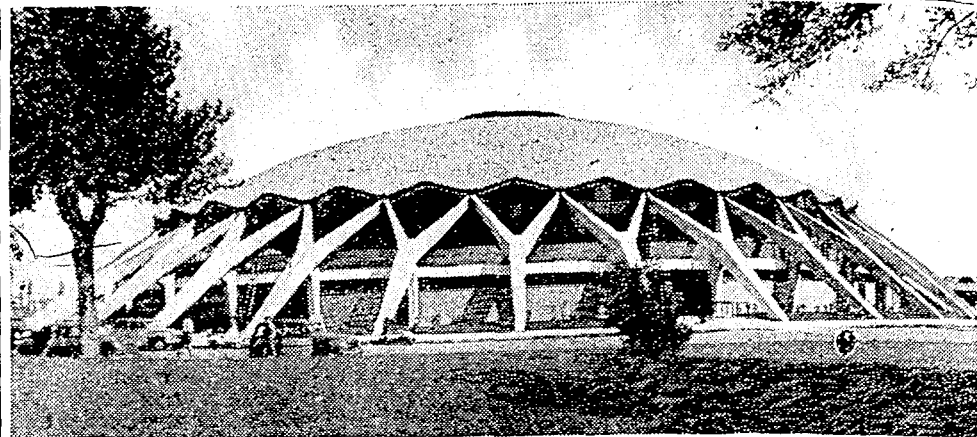
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Ready for the 1960 Olympic Games
Rome is already preparing for the Olympic Games to be held there in 1960, and here we see one of the buildings which have been specially constructed for the occasion.

LOOKING AT THE SKY

JUPITER AND MARS IN THE MORNING SKY

THE morning sky is becoming of particular interest because of the presence of the planets Mars and Jupiter. They will be found low in the south-east up to within about half-an-hour of sunrise, which just now occurs a little time before 7 o'clock in south-east England.

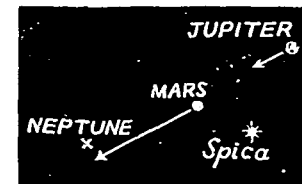
The brilliance of Jupiter provides ready identification and helps us to pin-point the not-so-bright Mars, which is quite close. The present position of these two worlds, relative to the bright star Spica, is indicated in the accompanying star-map and the extent to which they will apparently travel during the next fortnight is shown by the length of the arrows.

COMING NEARER

Mars is now 220 million miles away; Jupiter is much farther beyond, about 580 million miles distant. Both are coming nearer, however, and so will appear brighter and reach a much higher altitude in the early morning sky. They will soon appear to separate, with Jupiter rising much earlier. At present it rises about 4.30 a.m., whereas Mars does not rise until about 5.30 a.m.

Seen through an astronomical telescope at the present time, the giant Jupiter appears between seven and eight times the width of Mars. When the two can be seen together in the same field-of-view

they will present a fine spectacle. It would be even greater were it possible to see Jupiter's 12 great moons and all the phenomena that accompany them, but they are only revealed to the most powerful telescopes and under the most favourable circumstances of observation. Mars also has two moons



but they are much too small to be perceived at the planet's present distance.

The planet Neptune is also in this region of the sky and is in the position shown by a cross in the star-map. This being almost in line with the path Mars is taking, to owners of good telescopes the two planets will therefore appear less than the Moon's width apart in a fortnight's time. Neptune is very faint, being now at the other side of its orbit and about 2875 million miles away.

The fourth member of this group, Spica, is composed of two stars and presents a vastly different state of things to any of the planets. These stars of Spica are of colossal dimensions as may be

inferred from the amount of heat and light they radiate—something like 1500 times greater than that of our own Sun. Their surface temperatures average about 22,000 degrees Centigrade, whereas that of our Sun is between 5500 and 6000.

Jupiter which appears relatively so brilliant, has actually a surface far colder than we ever experience on Earth. Were it composed of air instead of methane it would freeze and not remain vapour to form its immense cloud belts. Neptune is even colder.

It is the vast distance of Spica that makes it appear only about as bright as Mars, for it takes light 233 years to reach us from Spica, whereas it takes only about 22 minutes from Mars, at its present position, and nearly 50 minutes from Jupiter's present position.

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HORSESHOE LEVY

When the Duke of Edinburgh visits Rutland on November 8, he will deposit a horseshoe in Oakham Castle in accordance with ancient custom.

Oakham Castle is famous for its collection of horseshoes, which are levied from members of the Royal Family and Peers passing through the town.

The Duke will visit Uppingham School, to open the new science building, and also Oakham School.

Young cup-winners

CN readers Richard Scott, aged ten, and his seven-year-old sister Elizabeth, of Brentwood, Essex, with the cups they won at the All-Britain harmonica contests held in London recently. Richard was first and his sister second in the solo competition for under fifteens.



HOURS WITH ROBIN HOOD

All boys and girls love a picture-book—the more pictures the better. That is why Robin Hood Annual (Amalgamated Press, 7s. 6d.) is likely to be in great demand. It is full of pictures, many in colour and all accurate in detail, which take us back to the thrilling times of the Merry Outlaw and his friends of Sherwood Forest.

Here, too, we meet many new characters, among whom is Tom Meadowman, the sturdy school-boy of those days. This is a book to delight all lovers of historical adventure.

SPORTS SHORTS

Spare-time job

DEREK UFTON, Charlton Athletic's half-back and captain, also plays cricket for Kent in the summer. And, in his spare time, he acts as a photographer's model!

Says Derek: "At first, I was far more scared posing in front of a photographer than playing in front of thousands of sports fans. I expect it was because, when you're playing an energetic game, you're usually far too busy to worry."

"But once I got over my early 'nerves', I found it was rather good fun."

So, if you see an advertisement featuring a young man you think looks like Derek Ufton, now you know. It is Derek Ufton!

THE Australian Rugby Union tourists make their first official playing appearance next Wednesday (Nov. 6), when they meet the Southern Counties XV, at Brighton. Then on Saturday, they go to Oxford to play the University.

THE latest soccer team to visit England from overseas is that representing the Russian Army. They start their short tour with a match this Wednesday against West Bromwich Albion. Next Monday they meet Bolton Wanderers, and three days later they come to London to play Chelsea, at Stamford Bridge.

FOR the first time ever, a representative M.C.C. team will visit East Africa in the New Year. The team, under the captaincy of F. R. Brown, the former Northants and England skipper, will be away for about a month, and matches are to be played in Kenya, Tanganyika, and Uganda. The tour is being arranged by Kenya Kongonis, the leading club in the Nairobi district.

SPORTING GALLERY

IAN CRAIG

Leading Australia's Test team in South Africa is 22-year-old Ian Craig, the youngest captain his country has ever had.

Ian came to England with the tourists of 1953, when, at 17, he was easily the youngest member of the party. He came again in 1956 and was still the youngest.



He did not get into the Test team in his first tour and played only in the last two Tests in the second. But on his return to Australia and with the old team fast breaking up, he was made captain of the side to tour New Zealand and has held on to the position. Ian, a chemist, burst into youthful fame with his 213 for New South Wales v. the South Africans in January 1953. He has been a long time in fulfilling his early promise, but still has the talent and the youth to serve his country long and well.



Winning partnership

Up and over the water jump go Mr. Wilf White and Nizzeffa, one of England's greatest jumping partnerships. Their latest success was the Victor Ludorum Supreme Championship at Harringay's Horse of the Year Show.

THIS is the age of youth in first-class football. One of the most recent debutants is John Morrissey, 17-year-old outside-left, who has been playing for Liverpool. John comes from Merseyside, and was a star of local schoolboy football. In 1955 he played twice for England. A number of the lads who won their caps in that season are now on the threshold of senior football fame. They include Barry Bridges and David Cliss (Chelsea); Peter Bunch (West Bromwich Albion); Alex Dawson, John Gaskell, Eric Holland and Mark Pearson (all of Manchester United); Ronnie Feist (Brighton); Don Rowland (West Ham); and John Mitten (Mansfield Town).

WHEN the last Empire Games were held in Vancouver in 1954, a record number of 24 Commonwealth teams took part. Next summer, when the Games are held at Cardiff, this number will be well beaten, for small teams are expected to compete for the first time from Tonga, Sarawak, Gibraltar, Sierra Leone, Mauritius, and North Borneo. The latter country may send only one athlete, Gabuh ben Piging, but he may cause a sensation at hop, step, and jump. Gabuh has already cleared 50 feet, and he could easily beat the record set up in 1954 by our own Ken Wilmschurst.

Schoolboy soccer in Barnsley

MR. C. E. HIRST, Headmaster of Grove Street Secondary Modern School, Barnsley, and secretary of the Barnsley Schools Football Association, is facing a challenge just now.

With competitive soccer matches about to begin, he is out to rebuild a side that will equal last season's triumph of sharing the English Schools Trophy—the premier award in schools soccer—with Southampton. But of last season's team, no fewer than seven players are now with professional football clubs. No wonder the Barnsley Football League club put their "A" team ground at the disposal of the schoolboys. For the big matches they have use of the League ground at Oakwell, drawing attendances ranging from 2000 to the 20,000 that saw them in the final of the English Schools Trophy Competition.

Although there are only 3000 boys between 11 and 15 the Barnsley Schools F.A. run no less than 68 school sides. From these teams, 19 boys have been chosen for intensive training three nights a week under team manager-teacher, Mr. Maurice Firth.

Advice to young runners

THE track athletics season has now ended but throughout the winter cross-country running will be at full swing. Apart from its own particular attractions, it provides an excellent source of winter stamina-building.

Gordon Pirie, an international in both spheres, has this advice to offer to young sportsmen who like running all the year round.

"Firstly," says Gordon, "you should always try to do a half hour's training run at least three days a week. And do it in warm kit—a track suit if you have one, or a thick pullover."

"Don't dash off, and then 'fade out' towards the end of your training-spell. Try starting slowly, work up to a faster pace in the

middle of your spell, and then finish quite slowly again."

"Above all, always enjoy your training. That's to say, don't have a really set schedule that becomes monotonous. Just run as you please. If you feel enthusiastic, then have imaginary short races with yourself for 100 yards or so in the middle of your training."

"In actual racing, young athletes should never attempt too long distances. Up to a mile on the track, and two or three miles cross-country, is quite enough—less, if you're very young, and new to it."

"And never race too often. Once every three weeks is plenty for a start, and then play other sports in between. But, when you do race, go hard—and go to win!"

Charming collection

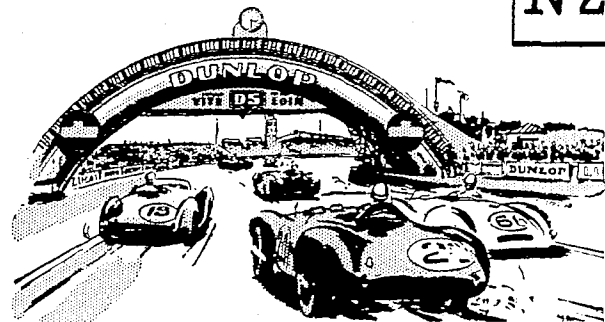
EVER since she was first chosen to run for Britain, Sylvia Cheeseman has always brought from abroad a tiny souvenir to add to her special charm-bracelet.

Sylvia married Britain's leading steeplechaser, John Disley, in July, and nowadays runs "only for fun". But John now adds to her souvenir charm collection from his own athletics trips overseas.

BEFORE he left recently for Australia, where he is to be married, Frank Tyson received his first wedding present. It was a replica in ruby glass of a cricket ball presented at London's Australia House.

HIGHLIGHTS OF LE MANS

Nº2



Sommer's famous drive

The Le Mans race of 1932 marked the year in which the intrepid Frenchman Raymond Sommer rose to motor-racing fame. Within 10 minutes of the start, all five cars from the Alfa-Romeo works team were out in front, nose to tail, holding what seemed to be an unassailable lead over the rest of the field—with Sommer, in a privately owned Alfa, lying well up. The Alfa team drivers set a terrific pace, indeed so fast that within a short time every one of them had either crashed or retired from the race. Here was Sommer's chance! But to hold his lead meant an 18-hour solo drive (his co-driver was ill) at a very fast pace in a car that had never before been raced on the Le Mans circuit. For lap after lap Sommer drove as one inspired, not knowing whether or not his car would hold together. Finally, triumphant but utterly exhausted, he passed the chequered flag having driven non-stop for over 21 hours.

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THE LOT

WAITRESS: What will you have? There's cold pork pie, cold lamb, ham and eggs, sausages and chips, and steak and onions.

Hungry boy: Yes, please, m'am.

PETS AND FIREWORKS

THOUGHTFUL Thelma loves her pets

And so she takes good care to keep them safe indoors at night When fireworks fill the air.

Careless Connie lost her kitten, Which was filled with fright: When it heard the cracks and bangs It ran off in the night.

So you be like young Thelma, See your pets don't stray, And then when Guy Fawkes Night arrives They will not run away.

SPOT THE . . .

GREY SQUIRREL as he travels through the tree-tops, leaping boldly from bough to bough. An average specimen is about twelve inches long from his nose to his rump and he has a tail nine inches long.

The grey squirrel was introduced to this country during the early



part of last century, and while lots of people like these attractive creatures, farmers and gardeners detest them, because they play havoc with bulbs, roots, buds, small birds, and eggs. The great natural enemy of the grey squirrel, the tree cat, is common in America, its native land, but extremely rare in Britain. As a result the grey squirrel flourishes here and we have far too many.

HOUSE PROBLEM

A BUYS a house for £455 and then sells it to B for the same amount. After a time B resells it to A for £450. Then A sells the house to C for £460. How much profit does A make on the entire deal?

BOYS AND GIRLS

WHICH boy never grew up? Which girl went through the looking glass?

Which boy asked for more? Who were the four "Little Women"?

OUT OF PLACE

WHICH of these birds is out of place?

Pheasant, buzzard, partridge, grouse, ptarmigan.

MIXED AIRPORTS

THESE famous airports have been put in the wrong countries. Can you sort them out?

Orly—England; Prestwick—Ireland; Schipol—U.S.A.; Gatwick—Scotland; La Guardia—Netherlands; Shannon—France.

JACKO'S GUY LANDS—AND LANDS JACKO IN TROUBLE



NATURALLY

WHEN Harry Hedgehog learned to box.

He donned the gloves with Freddy Fox. Displaying grit and great resource. He won the bout—on points, of course!

TALKING OF CROPS

"THE day will come," declared the young scientist to a group of farmers and nurserymen, "when I shall be able to carry enough fertiliser in my pocket for a whole field."

"Aye," remarked an old sceptic, "and the whole crop in the other pocket."

BEDTIME TALE

THOUGHTFUL BILLY

AT this time of year Daddy was always complaining about the number of leaves lying about in the garden.

"Just look at them!" he cried one morning. "As fast as I clear them up more and more appear. I spent hours yesterday sweeping them off the lawn, and now look at it—covered. You know," he said, turning to Mummy, "young Billy could help to sweep them up. He's got more time than I have."

But Billy was playing next door with Paul all morning and when he came home for lunch Mummy had forgotten all about Daddy's message. So she was rather surprised later on to see Billy in the



JUST FANCY

THE table creaked and groaned beneath

A most delicious spread Of spicy buns, and jammy tarts, And thickly-buttered bread. Ice-cream there was, and pink blanchmange, And jellies all a-quake, While in the centre proudly stood A lovely chocolate cake! No wonder that it made me feel As hungry as could be— But oh, what disappointment lay Waiting in store for me. For as I was about to taste A spoonful of ice-cream, I woke, and found to my dismay That it was all a dream!



TONGUE TWISTER

SAY three times quickly: Six thick sleeves.

WHAT A SQUIRREL DOES.

SAID a cute little squirrel in grey: "On fine days I frolic and play. Should rain or snow fall, I then curl in a ball, And retire for a snooze in my drey."

SCHOOLBOY HOWLER

FAUX PAS means pass my fork, please.

OTHER WORLDS

IN the morning Mars and Jupiter are low in the south-east. In the morning Venus is in the south-west. The picture shows the Moon as it will appear at eight o'clock on Thursday evening, October 31.



ing, October 31.

THE CHANGING WIND

WHEN the wind feels angry His voice is loud and shrill. He blusters through the valleys. And shouts from every hill.

When the wind feels happy He sings a merry song. And in the woods and meadows He whistles all day long.

But when the wind feels tired, Away to bed he'll creep— And then we hear his voice no more.

For he is fast asleep!

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES

House problem. £10. Boys and girls, Peter Pan; Alice; Twist; Jo, Beth, Meg, and Amy March. Out of place. Buzzard, a bird of prey. Mixed airports. Orly—France; Prestwick—Scotland; Schipol—Netherlands; Gatwick—England; La Guardia—U.S.A.; Shannon—Ireland.

Catch question. Those with pages. Drop a letter. Starting, starting, starting, sing, sin, in. I Pair them off. Oliver and Roland, C. and Abel, David and Jonathan, Romeo and Juliet, Anthony and Cleopatra, Dante and Beatrice, David and Goliath, Peter Pan and Wendy, Oberon and Titania.

Two teams—seven words. Chester and Preston—crop, hear, else sets, trot, echo, ruin.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

MICE EAST LAVERINGER S. RENTIER SAP DELVE VET MOE DEVER ROSE ON ROAD A OUTSIDE A METE CRAN

JUST A FEW WORDS

1. A Voracious means eating greedily. (From Latin vorax, devouring.)
2. C. Acquiescent means assenting; without opposition. (From Latin acquiescere—to, and quiet, quiet.)
3. C. Compunction is a pricking of conscience; regret. (From Latin compunctus—pricking.)
1. B. An adage is an old saying; a proverb. (From Latin adagium—ad, to, and root agio, I speak.)
2. A. To procrastinate is to put off until some future time. (From Latin procrastinare—pro, onward, and crastinus, of tomorrow.)
6. B. Nepotism is undue patronage to, in favouring of, one's relations. (From Latin nepos, a grandson.)

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